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## Sandra Sullivan-downs

Feb 20, 2019

Subject: Petition Against the Duke Energy Rate Increase

Dear Commissioners:

As a Duke Energy electric customer, I encourage you to closely examine the Duke Energy electric rate proposal (2018-319-e) when it comes before you, Specifically, I am concerned that:

Duke Energy's proposal to increase the basic facilities charge, a fixed cost from \$8.29 to over \$28. This would make this mandatory fee one of the highest in the country and much higher than the other investor-owned utility in South Carolina which recently lowered its fixed cost.

The increase in this mandatory fee takes away customer control over my energy bill robs me of the full benefit of energy conservation efforts. It is important that you protect older consumers who may live on a fixed income.

Share your own thoughts with the SC Public Service Commission:

I understand it take

money to keep things running. and it also take money for us to live. Seen like no one care if you are on fixed income. we don't mind paying our share. Please, know we are suffering ever day just trying to make it. Not very one is rich, I worked hard all my life and paid my taxes. not asking to give me anything but be fair, so we can have a life to.

Sincerely, Sandra Sullivan-downs RECEIVED NAR 122119